

NEPA Forecast Report  
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APPROACHING DEADLINES (NEXT 2 WEEKS)

Nothing to Report

MONITORING

**Deliberative Process / Ex. 5**

1. Potential and Prior Adverse Ratings on Draft EISs:

**R9/Forest Service (USFS)/Record of Decision/ Rosemont Copper Mine/Potential Referral of Adverse Rating:**

- **Background:** The Final EIS evaluates a proposed new, 4,800 acre open-pit copper and molybdenum mine to be constructed mostly on USFS National Forest Land southwest of Tucson.
- **EPA Involvement:** EPA rated the Draft EIS as "EU-3" (Environmentally Unsatisfactory – Inadequate Information) based on the degradation of aquatic habitat, Clean Water Act Section 404 compliance, significant air quality impacts, and impacts to tribal and cultural resources, biological resources, and human health. Upon review of the Final EIS, EPA determined that the issues underlying its "EU" rating have not been resolved.

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